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Ref: (a) <http://www.ncmahq.org/congress2000>

The challenges we face as contracting and business management professionals are increasing and becoming more complex. As the acquisition/business management workforce declines, we are assuming broader roles and responsibilities. Declining budgets call for improved approaches to acquisition management. But are we qualified to assume these broader advisory and leadership roles?

The NCMA is hosting World Congress 2000 to provide acquisition professionals opportunities for education and training in key contracting and business management fields. World Congress 2000 will enlighten and educate professionals to better prepare them for future challenges and opportunities.

The theme for the World Congress 2000 is *The Contracting/Business Management Professional in the New Millennium*. The four focus areas are Acquisition Management Tools and Methods; Organizational Development and Process Improvement in Contract Management; Contemporary Contracting/Business Management: Issues and Answers; and Developing and Sustaining the Contracting/Business Management Workforce. Additional details can be found at the World Congress 2000 website (reference (a)).

I believe that the NCMA World Congress 2000 will provide contracting and business management professionals an opportunity to prepare for the next millennium. Please share this information on the World Congress 2000 with your contracting and business management professionals.


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